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want of consideration, and whether this want of consideration is not likely to prove very detrimental to racing in the future in Hongkong by holding out to owners no inducement to keep over for the next year's race meeting ponies which have shown fair form. Surely owners of last year's subscription ponies who have kept them for many months at considerable expense are entitled to be able to enter their ponies in more than one race per day and not to have to always meet the pick of the Shanghai subscription griffins which I believe originally numbered 4 from 70 to 80, 41 of which were entered and whose height ranges up to 15 hands.

"Again as to the conditions of weight for such races you propose an allowance of only 3 lbs per inch. Why so? You are aware of the weight-for-inch scale in force in India and the Malay Peninsula, viz., 3 lbs for each quarter of an inch, and you are also aware of the unanimous decision arrived at by the owners of this year's subscription ponies (to which I presume you attach some weight), viz., that to bring water ponies of different heights together on the same scale should be 2 lbs for each quarter of an inch and not 3 lbs per inch. That decision as regards the weight-for-inch scale to bring water ponies of different heights together must, I submit, apply with equal force to all water ponies whether imported this year or last year or any year until it has been found to be an incorrect scale and that another should be adopted, when it will, I submit, be a question to be discussed by you with the owners of ponies."

"Surely it must be apparent to you that a penalty of only 3 lbs per inch must give an undue advantage to animals ranging from 14.3 to perhaps 15.4 over ponies of 14.3 and under. So far as the scale itself goes it is unknown outside Hongkong. I saw you before you adhere to the programme you have drawn up to give the owners of ponies an opportunity of meeting you and discussing the question."

My letter then went on to make certain suggestions to the Stewards. As I have said I received no acknowledgment even of its receipt.

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summing on account of the hot weather and for want of a little encouragement being given these ready to afford a portion of their time and money to maintaining one of the oldest forms of sport in the world.

Apologizing to you, Sir, for my very lengthy letter.—Yours, etc.,
GODFREY C. C. MASTER.

THE CORONATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."
Sir.—The Coronation of Their Majesties King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra is now officially fixed for the 9th August next, and Butler informs us that the King has signed the Proclamation making that day a Bank Holiday. May I enquire, through the medium of your paper, what we are going to do locally to fitly commemorate this auspicious occasion? I hope that the Coronation Committee will stir up and fix an official programme as soon as possible. Over \$30,000 has been subscribed by the public, and something should be done. I see no reason why we should not have the services at the Cathedral as originally arranged, a Royal salute at noon, a review of troops, illuminations, and fireworks, and the fish procession at night, besides the torchlight procession and the garden party at Government House. I noticed that the bamboo scaffolding at the Clock Tower, the Post Office, the Supreme Court, and other Government Offices were taken down a few days ago; I therefore presume that the Government offices and public buildings will not be illuminated on the night of the 9th proximo. If I am right, it is really to be regretted that such is the case. I understand that a good many, in fact every one of the offices and private residences which were to be illuminated last month, have retained the preparations made, and will very likely do so. Unless the Government decided heartily to co-operate with the public in making a grand display, the Coronation, at least in this Colony, will indeed be shorn of a good deal of its splendour. We have now a two-fold reason for rejoicing, because His Majesty has just recovered from a very serious illness. Let something be done anyhow, so that the numerous subjects of Their Majesties in Hongkong can have an occasion to publicly testify their loyalty to their Sovereign on the auspicious day of their Coronation.—Yours, etc.,
ANOTHER OF THE CROWD.

THE HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."
Hongkong, 30th July.
Sir.—The late interruption in the service of the Peak Trams, owing, so it is said, to the brake being accidentally applied, caused considerable inconvenience to many of the season ticket holders and others. No notice was circulated by the Managers on Monday night, and consequently several passengers had to walk all the way down to their offices in the pelting rain on Tuesday, as they had gone to meet the cars as usual and were unable to obtain chairs, though ready to pay for them.

I willingly bear testimony to the very excellent way the tramway service has, generally speaking, been carried on since the line was first opened, and should not now trouble you and your readers, did I not consider that the cause of this late accident calls attention to a weak spot connected with the tramway which, in the opinion, I believe, of practical engineers, as well as in the opinion of those who are simply thinking of the safety of those travelling by the Tramway, calls for serious attention on the part of the management. I refer, of course, to the brake. There is no doubt that the present arrangements for suddenly stopping the car from the car itself are, to a certain extent, efficient. That is, the conductor, by letting go the brake, can stop the progress of the car; but, in order to make the brake suitable for its purpose it should not be an instrument that the conductor is afraid to apply except as the very last resource, or one that automatically applies itself because the conductor's hands are wet and slippery or because his attention is momentarily called away. The consequences of applying the brake at present are, even where no injury to the machinery is caused, of such a nature, delaying the running of the cars, probably for a considerable time, that the conductor will never intentionally release the brake if he can possibly avoid doing so and the result of this some day may be that he delays to let go until it is too late and this may possibly lead to the sacrifice of many lives.

I realize that the brake is only intended to be used in emergencies, but cannot some equally efficient and more satisfactory machinery be substituted which will enable the car to be stopped as soon as serious danger is threatened, instead of the conductor having to wait until an accident is inevitable unless the brake be applied?—Yours, etc.,
H. L. D.

In Paris, according to the *Figaro*, there is a school for teaching young French shop assistants to make up as "quite English, you know." The theory is that the Paris public likes to be served with its hats, boots, clothes, gloves, etc., by Englishmen, and in English shops. Some French firms accordingly require their employees to comport themselves as Englishmen, and to speak their own language "à l'Anglaise."

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of India* left Vancouver on the 28th inst., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.
The C.P.R. steamer *Athena* arrived at Shanghai at 7.30 p.m. on the 29th inst., and left again at 3 p.m. on the 30th for Nagasaki, where it is due to arrive at 7 a.m. to-morrow.
The N.Y.K. steamer *Kaga Maru* (American Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 30th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 2nd prox.
The O.S.S. steamer *Dardanus* left Singapore on the 30th inst., and is expected here on the 4th prox.

SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, 30th July.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THEIR HONOURS W. MEIGH GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE) AND A. G. WISE (JUDGE).

THE LUEN MOW P. THE LUEN CHEUNG TAI.
This was an appeal from a decision of Mr. Justice Smeaton Smith, delivered in the Summary Court on 27th February last. Mr. M. W. Slade, barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. J. S. Harston, solicitor) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. G. K. H. Brutton, solicitor) for the defendant.

The Chief Justice delivered judgment as follows:—The suit in this case was issued on 29th January, 1902, by the Luen Mow firm, claiming against the Luen Cheung Tai firm the sum of \$355.87, balance alleged to be due from the defendant to the plaintiff in respect of tea sold and delivered to them by the Luen Mow firm after giving credit for payments already received. The tea transactions took place in 1899, 1900 and early in 1901, and it is not disputed that the tea was delivered, but there is a dispute as to the charges. The action came on for trial before Mr. T. Smeaton Smith, Acting Puisne Judge, in the Summary Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court on the 27th February, 1902, and at the plaintiff's call their managing partner to prove their claim. Mr. Brutton for the defendants cross-examined the witness and elicited that the plaintiff firm was no longer carrying on business, the Luen Mow having ceased buying and selling since 15th October, 1902, although the firm was not dissolved and still kept up its sign-board for the purpose of collecting outstanding debts. Thereupon Mr. Brutton sought to have taken the objection that the plaintiffs could not sue in the firm name because section 483 of the Code only allows two or more persons claiming as co-partners to sue in the firm name if they were co-partners at the time of the accruing of the cause of action and were carrying on business within the jurisdiction (as he seems to have submitted) at the time the writ was issued. No one in the Court below took the point urged by Mr. Slade to-day that it was sufficient if the firm was carrying on business within the jurisdiction at the time the cause of action accrued. The first question submitted for the opinion of this Court by the special case settled by the parties was as follows:—"Were the plaintiffs firm carrying on business at the date of the issue of the writ, within the meaning of the Code of Civil Procedure?" We are of opinion that the firm was not carrying on business at the time the writ was issued. What may be the proper interpretation of section 483 it is obvious that the objection is technical, going to the form, and not to the real merits of the action. If the plaintiffs had sued in the names of the individual partners instead of in the firm name, no objection of the kind could have been raised, and this was why the plaintiff's solicitor in the Court below, thereupon, asked to have the individual partners constituting the firm, for the firm name. He contended that the Judge below had power to make this amendment either Section 55 or Section 116 of the Code. The Judge, however, held that he had no such power, and nonsuited the plaintiffs. In my opinion, Section 55 of the Code confers the necessary power. That Section enacts, *inter alia*, that "where it is doubtful whether an action has been commenced in the name of the right plaintiff, the Court may, if satisfied that it has been so commenced through a bona fide mistake, and that it is necessary for the determination of the real matter in dispute to do so, order any other person to be substituted as plaintiff on such terms as may be just." In this case, assuming that the action ought to have been commenced in the names of the individual partners as plaintiffs instead of in the name of the firm, it seems to me to be necessary for the determination of the real matter in dispute, viz., whether the balance claimed for tea supplied was due or not, to substitute the names of the partners for the name of the firm. In the singular, shall include the plural." See section 2 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1897. I am of opinion that the Judge below had, in this case, power to substitute for the firm the individual partners, and that such amendment could injure or prejudice no one and should have been made. Some of the points submitted for the opinion of this Court we find in favour of the defendants but as regards the main point, the power of amending, we find substantially in favour of the plaintiff. I say "substantially" because we are asked whether the plaintiff was entitled to have the writ amended, and although I am not prepared to say he had a right to the amendment, I think the Judge, in his discretion, should in this case have allowed it. The justice of the case will be met by allowing the amendment and letting the case below continue at the point where it left off. This course the parties do not object to. As regards the parties costs of the appeal, each party taking into consideration all the circumstances, bear their own costs. With regard to the costs of the case below these will be determined when its result is known.

The Puisne Judge concurred, and stated that he quite agreed that each party ought to bear his own costs of the appeal.
The Court adjourned.

POLICE COURT.

Wednesday, 30th July.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THEFT FROM EUROPEAN'S HOUSE.
Yesterday morning at half-past seven o'clock a Chinese detective was patrolling in Hollywood Road when he stopped a coolie who was carrying a bundle he appeared anxious to conceal. This, on being opened, revealed a set of articles of silverware—four dessert spoons, two silver mugs, a silver milk jug, and a silver pepper-box, to the total value of \$30. The coolie admitted that he stole them from a house in Causeway Road, but either refused to or could not give the number. Sergeant J. J. Watt made enquiries in Causeway Road, and found that the articles belonged to Mr. Robinson, of the Piano Company.

The thief was sentenced to two months' hard labour.
BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).
DANGEROUS GOODS.
P.C. Connell summoned the master of the steamer *Wo Ping* for neglecting to exhibit two bright lights at night when carrying a cargo of kerosene oil.

The defendant pleaded guilty, and was fined \$25.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The following are the accounts of the above bank, the report of which we published yesterday:—
ABSTRACT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.
30th June, 1902.

LIABILITIES.	\$	c.
Paid-up capital	10,000,000.00	
Reserve fund	10,000,000.00	
Dividend reserve	4,250,000.00	
Marine insurance account	250,000.00	
Notes in circulation:		
Authorized issue against securities deposited with the Crown agent	10,000,000.00	
Additional issue authorized by Hongkong Ordinance No. 19 of 1900, against coin lodged with the Hongkong Government	4,622,963.00	
Current accounts	14,023,655.00	
Silver	84,831,822.00	
Gold, 22 1/2 carats	23,670,810.87	
Fixed deposits	108,502,685.57	
Silver	46,577,376.70	
Gold, 23 1/2 carats	45,625,068.54	
Bills payable (including drafts on London bankers and short sight drawings on London office against bills receivable and bullion shipments)	28,173,424.00	
Profit and loss account	3,577,018.92	
Liability on bills of exchange re-discounted, 25,096,063.12s. of which up to this date 24,078,66s. have been run off		
	\$271,380,329.15	

Assets.

ASSETS.	\$	c.
Cash	44,575,002.54	
Gold lodged with the Hongkong Government against note circulation	5,300,000.00	
Bullion in hand and in transit	85,128,383.01	
Indian Government revenue paper	2,326,557.59	
Consols, colonial and other securities	10,123,285.50	
Fixed reserve fund investments, viz.:—		
2250,000 2 1/2 per cent. consols lodged with the Bank of England as a special interest reserve	31,900,000.00	
at 2 1/2 per cent.	1,900,000.00	
2507,500 2 1/2 per cent. consols	2,507,500.00	
2507,500 2 1/2 per cent. national war loan	4,702,500.00	
2507,500 other sterling securities standing in the books at 2389,750 3,507,500.00		
Bills discounted, loans and credits	10,000,000.00	
Bills receivable	69,322,108.47	
Bank premises	880,388.58	
	\$271,380,329.15	

GENERAL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Dr.	\$	c.	Cr.	\$	c.
To dividends written off			By balance of undivided profits 31st December, 1901	1,438,248.07	
Remuneration to directors	15,000.00		By amount of profit for the six months ending 30th June, 1902, after making provision for bad and doubtful debts, deducting all expenses and interest paid and due	2,110,370.55	
To dividend account					
21.00 per share on 80,000 shares—	1,680.00				
2150,000 at 4 1/2	590,000.00				
To dividend adjustment account					
Difference in exchange between 4s. 6d. rate at which the dividend is declared, and 18s. the current rate of exchange	971,544.71				
To transfer to silver reserve fund	500,000.00				
To transfer to bank premises account	200,000.00				
To balance forward to next half-year	1,437,740.58				
	\$3,557,018.92				

STERLING RESERVE FUND.

To balance	\$	c.
By balance 31st December, 1901 (invested in sterling securities)	10,000,000.00	
	4,750,000.00	
	\$14,750,000.00	

SILVER RESERVE FUND.

To balance	\$	c.
By balance 31st December, 1901	4,250,000.00	
By transfer from profit and loss account	500,000.00	
	\$4,750,000.00	

LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA CABLE.

CORONATION EVENTS.

THE INDIA OFFICE RECEPTION.
London, 11th July.
Lord George Hamilton said, in the House of Commons, that the reception at the India Office, on the 4th, was not an evening party but a State ceremony of importance as commemorating the fact that, for the first time in the history of the country, the Sovereign at the Coronation occupied the position of lord paramount of India.

GREAT EMPIRE BANQUET.

London, 12th July.
The Empire Coronation Banquet took place yesterday at the Guildhall when 600 guests, representatives of the Empire were present, including the Colonial Premiers, Indian Princes, members of Cabinets, Lord Cromer the British and Sir W. Ridgeway, Lord Oslawski, and the Hon. Mr. Chamberlain and proposed the toast of the United Empire. He said he did not anticipate that Federation of the Empire would result from the Colonial Conference, whose one object was to draw closer bonds regarding commerce and defence.

THE GOVERNMENT CHANGES.

LORD SALISBURY'S RETIREMENT.
London, 13th July.
Lord Salisbury had an audience with H.M. the King on Friday, and tendered his resignation, which His Majesty accepted. The King commended him to the care of the Ministers, and was received by the King on Friday.

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EAST MAN'S KODAKS. FILMS. AND ACCESSORIES

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ACHEE & CO., PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS STORE.

17A, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

FEW DOORS EAST OF HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1902.

Saturday and accepted the Premiership. The resignation was due to Lord Salisbury's indifferent health, and the strain of his duties. IMPORTANT PARTY MEETING.
London, 14th July.
The Unionist Party has been summoned to meet at the Foreign Office to-day. There is a copious speculation regarding the constitution of the new Government, chiefly in connection with the place to be accorded to Mr. Chamberlain commensurate with his commanding personality. The papers, commenting on the subject generally, concede that Mr. Chamberlain acquiesced in Mr. Balfour's appointment in the laziest manner and assured him of his entire support.

Later.
A crowded meeting of Unionists was held at the Foreign Office. Mr. Balfour was enthusiastically cheered. He said that they had lost the services of a chief who had been engaged for fifty years in active politics, and who was for twenty years the embodiment of the policy of this great party. None would grudge him well-earned repose. His loss was undoubtedly irreparable. "I grieve," he said, "that we cannot count on the assistance of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, but we count confidently on his good wishes." The policy of the Unionists would remain what it had always been.

The Duke of Devonshire declared the party's cordial approval of the King's choice.
Sir M. Hicks-Beach said "there is no leader I would more readily support; but the retirement of Lord Salisbury means a break of traditions I have held all my political life."
Mr. Austin Chamberlain said that his father would be proud to give Mr. Balfour all the assistance in his power.

Entering the House of Commons, Mr. Balfour was received with unbounded cordiality. Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman offered congratulations. He wished Mr. Balfour success and prosperity. The Duke of Devonshire, in the House of Lords, said that Lord Salisbury desired him to undertake the leadership in the House of Lords. He added that Sir M. Hicks-Beach would not resign immediately. There was room for hope that his resignation would possibly be averted. The Duke also said that it was hoped that it would be possible for Sir M. Hicks-Beach to remain Chancellor of the Exchequer.

LORD SALISBURY PREFERS NO HIGHER TITLE.
London, 15th July.
H.M. the King was anxious to bestow upon Lord Salisbury a peerage and decoration upon Lord Salisbury on his retirement; but his Lordship begged to be allowed to decline.

SOUTH AFRICA.

REMARKABLE STATEMENTS A CRIED TO BOTH.
London, 13th July.
Commandant Botha, in an interview at Meritzburg, said he believed that, if justly treated, the Boers would readily settle down. He scoffed at the blockade system, and said there was small chance of a Boer regiment in the British Army, as Colonials disliked military discipline.

TRANSVAAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

London, 14th July.
The Imperial Government consents to a proposal of the Transvaal Government for a considerable increase in the membership of the Legislative Council and introduction of a non-official element. It is anticipated that the enlarged Council will hold its first session during September and October.

BOERS FOR GERMAN EAST AFRICA.

London, 15th July.
The Boer-Aid Society of Berlin has arranged for the Weermann Line s.s. *Semburg* to bring back prisoners from India and St. Helena. The steamer leaves Bombay on the 21st July, and will touch at German East Africa on her return, to disembark those wishing to colonize there.

GENERALS BACK FROM AFRICA.

London, 15th July.
Generals Bruce Hamilton, Elliott, E. Hamilton, Nixon, and Phayre have arrived from the Cape.
BOER GENERALS' HISTORY OF THE WAR.
General Botha confirms the announcement that Generals De Wet, Delany and Muhlendorff intend to write and print a history of the war. The three leave for Europe a fortnight hence.

GENERAL NEWS.

FRANCE AND SIAM.
London, 11th July.
The Times Paris correspondent says that France's attitude in Siam is in nowise aggressive, and France has no intention of presently embarking on a policy of establishing effective occupation in the sphere of influence agreed to in 1893. Her efforts will be directed to placing French interests on a good footing in the Siamese Court and in social and business circles.

LORD KITCHENER AND THE CITY.

London, 11th July.
The Corporation of London presents Lord Kitchener with an address in a gold casket, and invites Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener, returned officers and the Colonial Coronation guests to a reception at the Guildhall in celebration of peace.

KARACHI OFFICE CRISIS.

London, 11th July.
At a meeting of cotton spinners in Manchester to-day, the masters of the Federation of

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South-East Lancashire, who had convened the meeting, recommended short-time working; but the Bolton spinners declined to agree to the proposal for the present. The Federation, thus acting alone, has decided to send a circular to the whole of the trade, asking the spinners to close the mills on Saturdays and Mondays for two months. It was further decided that, unless 80 per cent. of the spinners in the federation area adopt short time, no action will be taken.

SCENE IN FRENCH CHAMBER.

London, 12th July.
A scene took place in the French Chamber as the result of an interpellation on the Government's action in closing unauthorized religious schools. Neither interpellator nor the Premier was able to obtain a hearing. The sitting was suspended and a member censured.

THE INDIAN MINES.

London, 14th July.
Lord George Hamilton, in the House of Commons, replying to Sir Edward Sassoon said that the effects of closing the mines upon Indian industry and agriculture had been considered by Sir Henry Fowler's Currency Committee. No facts had been brought to notice which would invalidate the Committee's decision.

THE CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY.

The directors of the Chinese Eastern Railway complain of the Press criticisms that have been levelled at the line, and the directors regard it as their duty to make a statement on the subject. They state:—

"The work of constructing this railway of 2,377 versts in length was begun in the second half of 1897, but the actual work of laying down the line was only begun in 1898. If we deduct the period of the disorders in 1900, less than four years have been spent on the line. In this time it has not been possible to complete the work in consequence of the exceedingly great local difficulties. It has only been as the result of extraordinary exertions that the rails were laid over the whole extent of the line towards the end of last year. That by no means signifies that the work of construction has been completed. This cannot be expected to take place even at the beginning of 1903, when much will still remain to be done. It will only be after the lapse of several years that the line will be in full working order. The management of the railway has, nevertheless, consented to carry passengers and goods in spite of the delay thus caused in the work of construction. This

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P.O. Box, 33. Telephone No. 12.

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TYPEWRITING MACHINE. New or Secondhand. State terms for purchase or hire and full particulars.
S. G. P.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 31st July, 1902. [2067]

ROOM, FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED. ED, with BATH, by a Bachelor. Must be Central.
S.
Replies to—
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 31st July, 1902. [2068]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, for account of the concerned, on **TUESDAY**, the 31st July, 1902, at Noon, at their Sales Rooms, 20, Des Voeux Road, **SUNDY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE**, comprising—

IRON BEDSTEADS with SPRING MATTRESSES, SIDE-BOARD, LAMPS, OVERMANTEL with MIRROR, SOFA, WARDROBE, HATSTAND, LADY'S BICYCLE, ONE PIANO, PICTURES, ONE VIOLIN, CLOCKS, ONE BOOT-MAKING MACHINE in good order, UMBRELLAS, and SUNDY GLASS-WARE, &c., &c.
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 31st July, 1902. [2065]

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.

COMPANIES (WINDING UP):
MR. JUSTICE DUCKLEY.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACTS 1862 to 1900,

AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Creditors of the above named Company are required on or before **TUESDAY**, the 30th day of **SEPTEMBER**, 1902, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their Debts or Claims and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any) to **JOHN MCINNIS**, SKINNER of No. 36, Nicholas Lane in the City of London the Liquidator in the voluntary winding up of the said Company and if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator are by their Solicitors or personally to come in and prove their said Debts and Claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such Notice and in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such Debts are proved.
TUESDAY, the 28th day of **JANUARY**, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon at the Office of the Registrar (Companies Winding up), Bankruptcy Buildings, London, England, is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the Debts and Claims.
Dated the 18th day of June, 1902. [2063]

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undersigned Banks will be **CLOSED** for the transaction of Public Business on **MONDAY**, the 4th August.

For the **CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,**

AUSTRALIA AND CHINA,

T. F. COCHRANE,
Acting Manager, Hongkong.

For the **HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

For the **NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,**

LIMITED.

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

For the **MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA,**

LIMITED.

EVAN ORMISTON,
Acting Manager, Hongkong.

For the **BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,**

Hongkong Agency.

G. MAYER,
Manager.

For the **YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,**

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

For the **IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA,**

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

For the **DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK,**

H. SCHOTTLENDER,
Manager.

For the **RUSSE-CHINESE BANK,**

J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Representative in Hongkong.

For the **GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF**

NEW YORK.

N. G. EVANS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 31st July, 1902. [2064]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM **MIDDLEBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, FORT SAID, COLOMBO, AND SINGAPORE.**

THE Company's Steamship

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SANDAKAN.

Calling at KUDAT.

THE Company's Steamship

"**SANDAKAN**,"

Captain H. M. B. will be ready to load for the above port **THIS MORNING**, the 31st inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1902. [2060]

FOR CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"**CATHERINE APCAR**,"

Captain S. H. Nelson, will be despatched for the above ports on **WEDNESDAY**, the 6th August, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 31st July, 1902. [2047]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM **GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.**

THE Company's Steamship

"**PINGSUEY**,"

having arrived from the above ports. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns at Kowloon and Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 5th August, at Noon, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognized.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon To-day, 30th inst.

DODWELL & CO., LD.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1902. [2055]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES OF CARGO EX "AJAX."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo at the above steamer, which arrived on a reef near Jeddah on or about 1st June, 1902, are notified that a portion of her damaged Cargo has arrived to-day per "PINGSUEY" and is now being landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., where it will be at their risk, and any such Cargo remaining in the Godowns after 7th prox. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

AVERAGE BOND is now ready for Signature at the Office of the Undersigned, where Landing Account can be seen and Bills of Lading countersigned on and after 1st prox.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1902. [2066]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

R.S. "BENALDER,"

FROM **ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.**

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

All claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods undelivered after the 7th August, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th August, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th August, at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1902. [2062]

ZETLAND LODGE, NO. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREE-AGENTS' HALL, Zetland Street, TOMORROW (FRIDAY), the 1st August, at 8.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1902. [2057]

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has just unpacked

Assorted Kinds of **PERFUMERY,**

TOILET SOAPS, TOOTH BRUSHES,

TOOTH POWDERS AND PASTES, SHAVING STICKS, and SPONGES of Various Sizes.

Offering at reasonable prices.

H. RUTTONJEE,

5, D'Agular Street,

(Telephone No. 190),

39-40, Elgin Road, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1902. [2056]

H. F. CARMICHAEL

CONSULTING ENGINEER,

SURVEYOR AND CONTRACTOR,

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS.

TELEGRAMS: "CARMICHAEL," HONGKONG.

A B C Code, 4th Edition.

Lieber's Standard Code.

Telephone No. 232.

Hongkong, 21st June, 1901. [1217]

PORTLAND CEMENT

J. B. WHITE & SONS

Sole Agents for HONGKONG.

ALEX. ROSS & CO.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1902. [1459]

THE Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.,

have now 40,000 Cubic feet of Cold Storage available at EAST POINT. Storage will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sundays excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods.

Wm. FARLANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 13th November, 1901. [16]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 2nd August, 1902, at Noon, at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,

A QUANTITY OF AMERICAN LADIES' BOOTS, GENTLEMEN'S STRAW HATS, &c.,

Also

250 TINS TOBACCO;

40 CASES BAVARIAN BEER;

20 CASES DODD'S ALE;

20 CASES DODD'S STOUT;

6 CASES CHAMPAGNE;

&c., &c.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1902. [2058]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, for account of the concerned, on

SATURDAY,

the 2nd August, 1902, at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, 20, Des Voeux Road,

A LARGE QUANTITY OF PROVISIONS,

comprising—

SALT PORK, PRESERVED MUTTON, CORNED BEEF, BUTTER, POTTED MEATS, CHEESE, VEGETABLES, LUNCH and SWEET BISCUITS, GINGER NUTS, CHOCOLATE, COFFEE, SWEETS, SOAPS, &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 29th July, 1902. [2049]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 2nd August, 1902, at 2.30 P.M., at No. 1, Albany Road, the residence of

CHAS. FORD, Esq.,

THE WHOLE OF THE VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

comprising—

MARINEBARK MAKE TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, TEAK OVERMANTEL, TEA TABLES, BLACKWOOD COUCH, TABLES and FLOWER STANDS, LACE CURTAINS, RUGS, JAPANESE INLAID CABINET and SPOON, &c., &c.

TEAK SIDEBOARD, DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, BOOKCASE, ELECTRO-PLATE, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, CROQUET SETS, &c., &c.

DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEAD, WARDROBES, TOILET TABLES, WASH-STANDS, &c., &c.

Also

1 COTTAGE PIANO by COLLARD & COLLARD, in the condition of

ADMINISTER PILE CARPET, almost new;

BRASS STANDARD LAMP;

And

SEASCAPE, by TOZZE.

On view from Friday, the 1st August. Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1902. [2043]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 5th day of August, 1902, at 3 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, in Duddell Street,

THE FOLLOWING VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,

Situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, viz.—

All that Piece or Parcel of Ground situated, lying, and being at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, registered in the Land Office at Subsection 1 of Section A of Island Lot No. 25, with the Messuage and Building erected thereon and known as No. 1, Ladder Street. Area 533 square feet. Term 75 years and a further term of 924 years. Annual Crown Rent \$9.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,

12, Queen's Road Central,

Solicitors for the Mortgagees; or to

THE AUCTIONEER.

Hongkong, 24th July, 1902. [2019]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 13th August, 1902, at 3 P.M., on board, H.M. Unpowered Composite Gun Vessel

"**SWIFT**,"

Extreme length ... 180 feet.

breadth ... 29 feet.

Displacement ... 756 tons.

COPPER-SHEATHED with Engines by

MANLY, TWO CYLINDRICAL RUBBER BOILERS, and THREE WOODEN MASTS.

As she now lies in the Harbour of Hongkong. The ANCHORS, MOORING GEAR, BOATS and BOAT'S GEAR will not be sold.

A list of fittings to be sold with the ship may be seen at the Office of the Naval Store Officer, H.M. Naval Yard, and the Auctioneers; also on board.

The Vessel will be open to inspection for seven days before date of sale.

Inspecting orders can be obtained from the Auctioneers.

TERMS:—Cash before delivery. 25 % of the purchase money to be paid on fall of the hammer, balance and the clearance to be effected within seven days after date of sale.

A Launch will leave Murray Wharf at 2 p.m. and 2.45 p.m. on day of sale to convey intending purchasers.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1902. [2029]

COLD STORAGE

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SPORT AND ANECDOTE.

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A NON-CRICKETING CRICKET SECRETARY.

What curious folk one meets in connection with cricket! It seems strange how anybody can take consuming interest in such a scientific game without having at some time or other been a player, if only at school in the days of youth. And yet on our great grounds and in connection with both high and poor class clubs I have frequently met enthusiasts who are quite ignorant of the practical part of cricket. I will try to give you a pen portrait of a friend who rises before me. When I first knew him he was the honorary secretary of one of the best clubs in the country, and was one of the most assiduous and industrious officials to be found in a year's march. He never missed a meeting of the Committee, he had a voice in the selection of the teams, he was present at every match, and in short he was the life and soul of the organisation. A voluble speaker, not to say a rhetorician, he was an important personage in all councils. But he was more than a talker; he was a worker. Again he was a strong critic, not only of club players, but of county men. Nothing about him suggested a love of athletics or any form of sport and pastime. A plain man of medium height, a strict Churchman, and a gentleman in every sense of the word, this meretricious and model club secretary is now well-known in the world, for he acts in the same official capacity for one of the oldest of the leading counties. When he assumed his duties the club was burdened with debt and was declining in prestige and playing ability, but now the roll of members has been doubled, the debt has disappeared, comparative affluence is experienced, young players are being found, and success in the future is almost assured. And yet this man has never taken part in a game of cricket in his life, and his greatest friend and confidant assured me that he had never in his life seen this model secretary handle either a bat or a ball. Mayhap I should give offence if I divulged the name of this gentleman, but I feel convinced that with him cricket is simply a passion which he cannot account for or control. But it only shows that brains will tell in the management of a club, and that practical knowledge of the game is not indispensable after all. The probability is that if my old friend had been a cricketer of even moderate abilities he would have been a very moderate sort of secretary. If we run over the first-class counties it is interesting to see the men who do the work at the secretarial desk.

THE SECRETARIES OF YORKSHIRE AND LANCAIRESHIRE.

Now there is Mr. J. B. Wostinholm, a silvery-haired old gentleman, who has been the head and front of Yorkshire when secretaries do congregate for more years than he would like to tell. Mr. Wostinholm is a typical Tyke in mode of speech, for he says what he means and says it with a snap. He never played for his county, but I remember him once telling me that many years ago, before there was such a place as Bramall Lane, and that has been going since the mid-fifties, he used to get up at three and four in the morning for the cultivation of cricket. There were kindred spirits, of course, and these comrades in sport called themselves the Peep o' Day boys. Thus he imbibed a love of cricket which never left him, although Mr. Wostinholm has an extensive, old-established, and old-fashioned business as a stockbroker. They do say that he voted the County Cricket Council up at Lord's out of existence, and he once remarked in my hearing that he would forgive Lancashire all their sins save the annexation of Albert Ward, and that he could never overlook Yes, Mr. Wostinholm is a typical Tyke, and immensely proud of the county which has produced such famous players as George Freeman, George Ulyett, and George Hirst—the three Georges. But in Lancashire Mr. Samuel Swire is even a greater personality than Mr. Wostinholm is in Yorkshire. Now I have heard Mr. Swire often maligning by people who have no personal or intimate knowledge of him. These remarks are in my opinion most unjust, for I have always found Sam Swire a sportsman and thoroughly genuine. Perhaps he is not gifted with the smooth answer that turneth away wrath, and maybe he is lacking in the *savoir faire* of some people who have not his honesty of purpose and goodness of heart. As Mr. Swire is very much misunderstood, let me say a word or two without special pleading on his behalf. As a young man he played plenty of club cricket, and also assisted the Gentlemen of Lancashire when they had a club, and Lancashire. He was more of a bowler than a bat, but after all he was not of any great account as a cricketer. Still, as a secretary-manager he has no superior in many respects. Although he has been the honorary secretary of Lancashire ever since there has been a county club he has never received a penny piece—not even for personal expenses. Mr. Swire is a rich man, and this is his labour of love. All his subordinates speak highly of him, and I like to judge a man by the way he treats his inferiors. Mr. Swire, who is engaged in the cotton trade, is a magistrate, and a fine man, although strong in his prejudices and his likes and dislikes. He is as keen for the honour of Lancashire as both Lord Hawke and Mr. Wostinholm rolled into one for Yorkshire.

THE METROPOLITAN RIVALS—MIDDLESEX AND SURREY.

The metropolitan counties have two rare sportsmen for their official heads. Mr. A. J. Webb is the honorary secretary of Middlesex, although most of the clerical work is performed by Mr. J. A. Murdoch, who is on the staff at Lord's, and second only to Mr. F. B. Lacey, the secretary of the M.C.C. One need say little of Mr. Webb, who is now in his forty-fifth

year, and has virtually given up first-class cricket. Like the Stodd family, Mr. Webb is now far keener on religious and philanthropic works than on the game of summer, but I really cannot see that there is any incompatibility in the two, save on the question of the time that each requires. Cricket is a jealous mistress, and leaves little leisure for coquetting with any other subject for at least one-third of the year. Need I say that Mr. Webb has been one of our great test players. After making a name both at Harrow and Oxford University, he proved his value to Middlesex, and when Mr. L. D. Walker laid down the reins of captaincy, there was none more qualified to take up the post than Mr. Webb. He was an uncompromising batsman, and played many great innings for his county. But the greatest in number 243 (not out) against Yorkshire was probably his finest achievement, as it was made at Huddersfield on a fiery wicket during the hot summer of 1887. I happened to know from what Mr. Webb once told me that he considered this innings the triumph of his career on the peaceful field. But Mr. Webb has never lost his interest in his school of Harrow, and in his Alma Mater of Oxford. No one takes a more real interest in the boys at school, or in the young men at the "Varsity." Mr. Webb is like Mr. Swire in that he is more of a counselling secretary than a mere letter-writer and framer of balance-sheets and reports. But the secretary of Surrey, Mr. C. W. Alcock, J.P., is like Mr. A. J. Webb, an old Harrovian. Mr. Alcock has gained far more fame as a football player than as a cricketer, for at the winter game he is a famous international of the early seventies. Possibly the Surrey secretary was a good cricketer, but so far as I know he only played in one first class match, and he never scored a run, and he missed an easy catch. That is not a record to be proud of, and yet there never was a smarter secretary than Mr. Charles Alcock, of Sunderland by birth, but of Surrey by adoption. For about thirty years his Mr. Alcock been the principal official of Surrey, and in a large measure he has made Surrey the power who is to-day. Mr. Slater did on the playing field what Mr. Alcock accomplished in the committee room. But Jack Slater had such as George Lohmann, Walter Reid, Maurice Reid, and Bobby Abel to help him, and so in the council chamber, Mr. Alcock has always had the benefit of the wise words of Lord Alcestone, the Lord Chief Justice of England; Mr. Wildman Cattell, for long years the honorary treasurer, and of General Marshall. Still Mr. Alcock has been a great man "quite on his own." Integrity of character, resoluteness of purpose, good judgment of men, and a determination to do that which he decides upon are the chief characteristics of Mr. Alcock. Let me give an instance of his firmness of will. During the whole of the thirty years that he has been in office at the Oval Mr. Alcock has never tasted any alcoholic beverage on that ground, although he is not a teetotaler. Could the force of example further go? Of such material are monumental men made.

THE OFFICIAL-BEARERS OF OTHER SHIRES.

On the secretaries of the other counties I must touch with lighter pen. The duties for Sussex are discharged by Mr. Walter Newham, who is now in his forty-second year—but not too old to occasionally help his county. A schoolmaster by profession, I should think he has his close upon twenty "centuries" in class cricket. He has played for Sussex for quite twenty years, and until Rasjitsinhji passed his aggregate in the middle of last season, I should say that Mr. Newham had made more runs for Sussex than any other man. But the Oriental has now left him in the rear. Still Mr. Newham can amuse himself with his secretarial functions; the pen is mightier than the bat after all. Besides, when Mr. Newham is not looking after the best interests of Sussex, he is engaging in colouring a meerschaum and telling a good cricket tale. They are both agreeable occupations. Mr. W. Ansell is nominally the secretary of Warwickshire, but he has mainly done his work for the Midlands since years ago. Mr. Ansell is a busy professional man with a cautious wit and a keen managerial capacity, but he leaves most of the secretarial work to Mr. R. V. Ryder, a young Birmingham gentleman, who made all the arrangements for the recent Test Match at Birmingham. Mr. Ryder is an able lieutenant and a bit of a cricketer to boot. For Kent, Mr. A. J. Lancaster, of Canterbury, is a very efficient secretary, but he is chiefly engaged in similar work connected with a large institution in that city. For long years Dr. Russell Bennett, a medical man with a considerable practice in Southampton, has been the head and front of Hampshire, and he is its honorary secretary. He played for the county for about fourteen seasons, and was often very useful without being brilliant. Dr. Bennett, like Mr. Alcock and Mr. Wostinholm, is keenly interested in Association football. Indeed, he was at one time the life and soul of the Southampton team. Not to have, as secretary, Mr. Henry Turner, a gentleman who has never played at all, but he has been invaluable since he succeeded Mr. Edwin Drowne. It is an open secret that many of the regulations which now govern the Test matches were first evolved from the fertile brain of the energetic official of Netta. Mr. O. R. Borradaile, who has been the secretary of Essex for some years, is a good Westminister boy who has played considerable cricket in his time. He has helped Mr. C. E. Green to bring the county out of debt into comparative affluence, but I understand that this year Essex are likely to feel the strain of finance more than many other counties owing to the bad weather. An anecdote is a very useful man. Mr. Paul H. Foley, of Worcester-shire, is an exceedingly rich country gentleman, the maker of Worcestershire cricket, and its secretary. There is no doubt that he has his strong and commendable qualities, without which Worcester would never have come to the fore, but a man can be even too patriotic.

Leicestershire are heavily indebted to Mr. Tom Burdett, a very quiet gentleman with much reserve force of character. The head of a big banking house in Leicester, he has for many years found time to do a great deal for the hunting shire, who now possess a well-equipped ground and a young and clever team. In a few seasons, Leicestershire will have one of the strongest teams in England, or I am much mistaken. What Somerset owes to Mr. H. Murray Anderson I should not like to calculate, but it must be a handsome sum. Quite an aristocrat, he has devoted all the leisure of a rather delicate man to a county which has always been struggling with monetary difficulties. Indeed, if money had been the be-all and end-all of county cricket, Somerset would long since have collapsed. Derbyshire have long been guided officially by Mr. W. Barclay Delacombe, one of the tallest men who play cricket, although only very occasionally does he appear in the ranks of his county. Last, but not least, comes Gloucestershire, the home of the Graces. Old Dr. Grace and his still more famous sons built up Gloucestershire as a cricketing county, and therefore it is only meet and proper that a Grace should be the titular head. Fred Grace years ago joined the over-increasing majority, and "W. G." has for some time been associated in the promotion and development of the London County Club, a most useful organisation, but E. M. Grace, of Thornbury, remains to represent the family and act as secretary to the club. There never was a more enthusiastic player than "E. M.," who is now in his sixty-second year, and yet it was but the other day he was married for the third time. Early in the sixties he visited Australia, and was quite one of the most celebrated cricketers in the world. He has not a long roll of "centuries" to his name, but he has some five or six. His admiration for his brother, "W. G.," is intense, and when The Champion made his hundredth hundred against Somerset in 1895 I remember that "E. M." said he would have given a year of his life to have been at the wicket with him in that eventful moment. From what I know of "E. M." I believe him, for he dreams of cricket and lives for cricket. Of such stuff are the secretaries of our leading counties made, and all good men and true, whether they have been great cricketers or not. London, 28th June.

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Kiahua, river gunboat, 331 tons, Lieut.-Comdr.
G. B. Powell, on the Yangtze
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Hongkong
Matine, sloop, 980 tons, 10 guns, Comdr. G.
W. M. Plenderleath, at Swatow
Ocean, battleship, 12,950 tons, 16 guns, 13,500
i.h.p., Captain Richard W. White, at
Wei-hai-wei

Otter, torpedo-boat destroyer, 350 tons, Lieut.-
 Comdr. Kaye, at Hongkong
 Phoenix, sloop, 1,015 tons, 6 guns, 1,400 h.p.,
 Comdr. W. H. Nicholson, at
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 Capt. H. C. Reynolds, at Shanghai
 Rambler, surveying-ship, 583 tons, Capt. Morris
 H. Smyth, at Hongkong

Rinaldo, sloop, 950 tons, Comdr. D. St. Aubyn
Wake, at Shanghai
Robin, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240 h.p.,
Lieut.-Comdr. Godfrey G. Webster, on
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Comdr. A. W. Hamilton, at Swatow
Sandpiper, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240
Lt. Lieut. Comdr. Carr at Hongkong

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Lieut.-Comdr. R. W. Dalgely, at Ichang
Swift, gun-ressel, 756 tons, 6 guns, 870 h.p., in
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Capt. F. G. Stopford, at Kobe
Tamar, receiving ship, 4,600 tons, 6 guns, Com-
modore Robinson, at Hongkong
Teal, river gunboat, 180 tons, 2 guns, at

Shanghai
Tweed, gunboat, 362 tons, 3 guns, 200 h. p., in

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Whiting, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6 guns,
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at Shanghai

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